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TO: Honorable Phil King, Chair, House Committee on Homeland Security & Public Safety

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB3115 by Simmons (Relating to the regulation of certain professions under the Private Security Act.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Occupations Code to proscribe the Department of Public Safety's Private Security Board from adopting rules that favor one licensee over another based on the number of persons registered or commissioned under a license, or requiring continuing education for alarm installers and security sales persons after their first renewal. The bill would also clarify the circumstances under which inspections and audits would be authorized. The bill would also create a misdemeanor offense.

This analysis assumes the provisions of the bill addressing sanctions for criminal offenses would not result in a significant impact on state correctional agencies. It is assumed any costs associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be absorbed within current resources.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2017.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

A Class A misdemeanor is punishable by a fine of not more than \$4,000, confinement in jail for a term not to exceed one year, or both. Costs associated with enforcement, prosecution and confinement could likely be absorbed within existing resources. Revenue gain from fines imposed and collected is not anticipated to have a significant fiscal implication.

A Class C misdemeanor is punishable by a fine of not more than \$500. Costs associated with enforcement and prosecution could likely be absorbed within existing resources. Revenue gain from fines imposed and collected is not anticipated to have a significant fiscal impact. In addition to the fee, punishment can include up to 180 days of deferred disposition.

Source Agencies: 405 Department of Public Safety

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